

the disposal of the Deputy Commissioner, Shimoga, for affording relief to the sufferers.

(f) Accidental fire is a common occurrence in winter and summer seasons, particularly in areas where thatched houses exist.

(g) A proposal to have a Fire Extinguishing Unit at Shimoga is under examination.

ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ರತ್ನಮ್ಮ ಮಾಧವರಾವ್.—(ಡಿ) ಭಾಗಕ್ಕೆ ಉತ್ತರವಾಗಿ building materials ಗಾಗಿ ಹಣ, ಮಾಫಿ ಪಾನುಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಚಪ್ಪಟ ಕಮೀಷನರ ಅಧೀನದಲ್ಲಿ ಸ್ವಲ್ಪ ಹಣವನ್ನು ಮಂಜೂರು ಮಾಡಿದ್ದೇವೆಂದು ತಿಳಿಸಿದ್ದೀರಿ. ಇವನ್ನೆಲ್ಲ ನೋಂದ ವರಿಗೆ ಸಕಾಲದಲ್ಲಿ ದೊರಕಿಸಿಕೊಡುತ್ತೀರಾ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕಡಿದಾಳ್ ಮಂಜಪ್ಪ.—ಧಾರಾಳವಾಗಿ ಮಾಡುತ್ತೇವೆ.

ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ರತ್ನಮ್ಮ ಮಾಧವರಾವ್.—ಹೋದ ವರ್ಷ ಅಯನೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮದಲ್ಲಿ ಬೆಂಕಿ ಅನಾಹುತ ಪಾದಾಗ ಮಾಫಿ ಪಾನುಗಳನ್ನು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳ ಬೇಕಾದರೆ ಒಬ್ಬೊಬ್ಬರ, ಜೊತೆಯಲ್ಲಿಯೂ ನಾನು ಹೋಗಬೇಕಾಗಿತ್ತು. ಈಸಲ ನಾನು ಇಲ್ಲರುವುದ ರಿಂದ ಜನರಿಗೆ ಮಾಫಿ ಪಾನುಗಳನ್ನು ಸರಿಯಾಗಿ ದೊರ ಕಿಸಿಕೊಡುತ್ತೀರಾ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕಡಿದಾಳ್ ಮಂಜಪ್ಪ.—ಡಿಸ್ಟ್ರಿಕ್ಟ್ ಫಾರೆಸ್ಟ್ ಆಫೀಸರಿಗೆ ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಬರೆದಿದ್ದೇವೆ. ಅವರು ನೋಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ಶ್ರೀಮತಿ ರತ್ನಮ್ಮ ಮಾಧವರಾವ್.—ಬೊಮ್ಮನ ಕಟ್ಟೆ ಎಂಬಲ್ಲಿ ಇತ್ತೀಚೆಗೆ ಇದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ಅನಾಹುತ ನಡೆಯಿತು. ಅದುದರಿಂದ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಅಗ್ನಿ ಶಾಮಕದಳವನ್ನು ತಿವಮೊಗ್ಗಕ್ಕೆ ಬೇಗ ಕೊಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ವಿವರವಾದುದು ಮಾಡುತ್ತಾರೆಯೇ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕಡಿದಾಳ್ ಮಂಜಪ್ಪ.—ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಬಹಳ ತೀವ್ರವಾಗಿ ಆ ವಿಚಾರವನ್ನೂ ಯೋಚನೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

Sri A. R. BADRINARAYAN.—It is stated in answer to (f) that accidental fire is a common occurrence due to the thatched houses that exist there. What steps have the Government taken to see that these thatched houses are converted into tiled houses?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—We have to intensify our rural housing scheme.

Sri A. R. BADRINARAYAN.—Have the Government any plan before them?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—Housing scheme is the only scheme.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Question time is over.

## QUESTIONS FOR ANSWERS ON THE DAY

(but not taken up)

### Agency to look after the Welfare of Harijans.

\*Q.—95. Sri T. HANUMIAH (Challakere).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether there is any agency in the State to attend to Harijan welfare ;

(b) the duties of Special Officers and Special Shekdars connected with the work regarding the welfare of Depressed Class people ;

(c) whether it has come to their notice that the above officers serve only as propagandists as they have not been given any special powers ;

(d) whether they intend to delegate certain powers to these officers to enable them to do constructive work ?

A.—Sri N. RACHIAH (Minister for Social Welfare, Excise and Prohibition).—

(a) Yes. The Department of Social Welfare.

(b) A statement showing the nature of duties and powers of these officials is appended.

(c) No. They are liaison Officers between Government and the Scheduled Castes people. They attend to the duties entrusted to them and are exercising the powers conferred upon them.

(d) Yes. The question of delegating additional powers is under consideration of Government.

(SRI N. RACHIAH)

## STATEMENT

## Powers and Duties of the Special Officers for Depressed Classes.

1. The Special Officers for the Depressed Classes shall work under the direct control of the District Development Officers but shall be subject to the supervision of their work by the Regional Officer of the Region concerned.

2. In addition to the other duties that have been assigned to him already, it shall be his special duty to collect statistics relating to the dwelling conditions, drinking water facilities, prospects of the other items of work connected with the Depressed Class uplift.

3. He shall endeavour to organise co-operative societies with the help of the Co-operative Department and try to improve the economic condition of the people by means of co-operative farming and collective aid to home industries.

4. He shall arrange for group meetings in order to impart to the people educative information through propaganda and otherwise.

5. He shall scrutinise the work of the Special Revenue Inspectors closely and effectively.

## Duties of the Special Revenue Inspectors.

In addition to his work as Assistant Secretary to the Rural Department—Committee of the Taluk he shall—

1. whenever necessary build up darkhast records relating to Depressed Class people and submit them to the Amildar;

2. subject to statutory provisions, lay out, demarcate and assign sites to the applicants with the assistance of the Taluk Overseers and to supervise the construction of houses, etc.;

3. collect statistical information relating to literacy, industries, dwelling conditions and drinking water facilities;

4. prepare a programme of works for the entire taluk well in advance and place it for the acceptance of the taluk committee;

5. whenever necessary build up acquisition records relating to the Depressed Classes people;

6. be in charge of building materials, tiles and other property when he is placed and to maintain forms, registers and other accounts that may be required in this behalf.

## Tours of the Ministers.

\*Q.—199. Sri S. KARIAPPA (Virupakshipura).—

Will the Government be pleased to State:—

(a) the details of tour conducted by each of the Ministers in the State during the past six months;

(b) the purpose of each tour, the dates, the distance and the T.A. and D.A. drawn in each case (the details may be given for each month);

(c) whether any private visit was wrongly included in the tour programme and T.A. and D.A. drawn;

A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Chief Minister).—

(a) and (b) *Vide* columns 3 to 6 of the Statement. (Copy placed on the Table of the House—placed in the Legislature Library No. 8—L.A. 1959 Bud.)

(c) No. \_\_\_\_\_